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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11 April 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

This action is in response to Applicant's amendment filed April 11, 2006. Claims 1, 2 and 7 are amended. Claims 8-13 are newly added. Claims 1-13 are thus pending in the present application.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US USPN 6,175,856 issued to Riddle.

(Amended) Regarding claim 1, Riddle teaches a method for signaling and negotiation between a client and a server in a multimedia streaming service, wherein a plurality of adaptation mechanisms or capabilities for use in the service for data delivery are supported by the client, each adaptation mechanism or capability having an attribute, said method comprising:

the client providing information indicative of the attributes defining the adaptation mechanisms or capabilities that are supported by the client [abstract; figure 6];

the server selecting one or more of the attributes based on the provided information [abstract; figure 6]; and

the server providing further information to the client indicative of the selected attributes so as to allow the client to know the one or more adaptation mechanisms or capabilities defined by the one or more attributes selected by the server [figure 6].

(Amended) Regarding claim 2, Riddle teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the client is configured to provide the information via a capability exchange mechanism [figure 1].

(Amended) Regarding claim 3, Riddle teaches the method of claim 1, wherein the client is configured to provide the information via a multimedia streaming control protocol [abstract; figure 1].

Regarding claim 4, Riddle teaches the method of claim 1, further comprising the server providing indication of a capability to the client prior to the client providing information [abstract].

Regarding claim 5, Riddle teaches a method for signaling and negotiation between two parties including a client and a server in a multimedia streaming service, wherein a plurality of adaptation mechanisms or capabilities for use in the server for data delivery are supported by the client, each adaptation mechanism or capability having an attribute, said method comprising:

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providing by one of the two parties to the other of the two parties information indicative of one or more adaptation mechanisms or capabilities; and conveying a message from said other party to said party, in response to the information, acknowledging supporting of said one or more adaptation mechanisms or capabilities [abstract; figure 6].

Regarding claim 6, Riddle teaches the method of claim 5, wherein said one party is the server and the other party is the client, and wherein the client acknowledges support by using the attributes defining said one or more adaptation mechanisms or capabilities in the responding message [figure 9].

(Amended) Regarding claim 7, Riddle teaches the method of claim 5, wherein said one party is the client and the other party is the server, and wherein the client is configured to provide a plurality of attributes; and the server is configured to select one or more of the provided attributes based on the provided information for acknowledging the support [abstract; figure 6].

Newly added claims 8-10 and 11-13 are similar to claims 1-3, therefore are rejected under the same rationale.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

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Conclusion

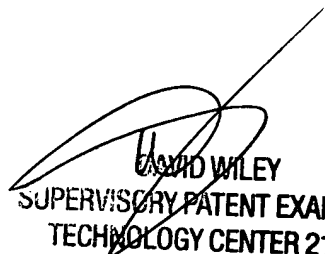
Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alina N. Boutah whose telephone number is 571-272-3908. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday (9:00 am - 5:00 pm).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David A. Wiley can be reached on 571-272-3923. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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